

# OFFICIAL REPORTS OF SOCIETIES

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[We must ask contributors to this department to make their reports as concise as possible, omitting all mention of regular routine business, and stating such facts as are of special interest to absent members or to the profession at large. The JOURNAL has already increased its regular reading pages from sixty-four to eighty, and it must keep within these limits. In order to do this all of the departments are being condensed to make room for our constantly increasing items of interest.—En.]

## THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES

A MEETING of the Organizing Committee of the forthcoming Quinquennial Meeting of the Grand Council of the International Council of Nurses, to be held in Berlin in June, 1904, was held at the Matron's House, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, on Tuesday, October 22, at which the president, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, presented the following report:

### THE REPORT.

"Since the meeting of the officers of the International Council of Nurses, held at Buffalo, U. S. A., in September, 1901, I have been in constant communication with the honorary officers and honorary vice-presidents of the Council.

"*In Great Britain.*—Miss Isla Stewart, honorary vice-president, has done much to encourage coöperation among trained nurses by the active part she has taken as president of the Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland and of the League of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Nurses, and it is gratifying to report that the matrons of several important training-schools have stimulated the desire for coöperation among the nursing staffs, and taken the initiative in helping them to form leagues for professional and social intercourse. Miss Stewart is in favor of strengthening the bonds of union among certificated nurses by some form of affiliation between the leagues which would bring the nurses of the various schools into touch by coöperation, and thus upon a wide and liberal basis founded on the graduate vote enable nurses to meet and discuss in a helpful manner their professional and social affairs, out of which coöperation it is hoped that a National Council of Nurses for the United Kingdom might in time be evolved on thoroughly representative lines—Scotland and Ireland forming branch or national councils if so inclined.

"Letters have been addressed suggesting some form of affiliation to the presidents of existing Nurses' Leagues in England by Miss L. L. Dock, the honorary secretary of the International Council of Nurses.

"*In Scotland and Ireland.*—Coöperation among nurses is practically non-existent in Scotland and Ireland. This is the more disappointing as there are many able women holding positions of authority in nursing circles in both countries whose efforts would, I feel sure, be crowned with success if they would take the initiative in either forming Councils of Matrons or Leagues of Nurses

in connection with the many excellent training-schools which now exist in both countries.

*"In the United States of America.*—In the United States of America the nursing profession is effectively organized on coöperative lines, and the two great national societies of nurses—the American Society of Superintendents of Training-Schools for Nurses and the Nurses' Associated Alumnae of the United States (that is a society of affiliated leagues)—have come together by delegation and formed the American Federation of Nurses (in effect a National Council of Nurses), which is ready and willing to affiliate with the National Councils of Nurses of other countries when formed, and thus to compose the International Council of Nurses, as provided for in its existing constitution.

"As the result of the solidarity of the nursing profession in the United States, and the respect which it engenders in the public mind, State registration of nurses has been effected in four States of the Union during the present year.

*"In Australasia* effective coöperation exists in New South Wales and Victoria among trained nurses through association in the Australasian Trained Nurses' Society, the Victorian Trained Nurses' Association, the Prince Alfred Hospital Trained Nurses' Reunion, and the recently formed Australasian Matrons' Council, in the building up of which societies Miss S. B. McGahey, honorary vice-president, and Miss M. D. Farquharson, councillor, have worked untiringly.

*"In New Zealand.*—The profession of nursing has been put on a legal basis in New Zealand by act of Parliament, a bill for the registration of trained nurses having been passed in 1901 by which a minimum standard of education and qualification in nursing has been defined. Mrs. Grace Neill, councillor, to whose efforts legislation was largely due, has been appointed Deputy Registrar for the Colony, and is of opinion that the system of registration by the State has already proved of great benefit to the community.

*"In Canada.*—The growth of coöperation among nurses is slow, but is proceeding on alumnae lines. Owing to its geographical position it has participated in much of the progress effected by Canadian women trained and holding high professional positions in the United States. Canadian matrons coöperate with their American colleagues, and together form the American Society of Superintendents of Training-Schools, and the courtesy of social amenity is constantly exchanged between leagues of Canadian and American nurses.

"The honorary treasurer, Miss Agnes Snively, lady superintendent of the General Hospital, Toronto, is in warm sympathy with all that tends to create a deeper sense of professional responsibility among trained nurses, and is doing good work in encouraging coöperation among Canadian nurses.

*"In Holland.*—Miss L. Kruysse, honorary vice-president, takes a leading part in coöperative movements. A Matrons' Council is now formed in Holland, consisting of some forty members, which meets in friendly conclave; there are two associations of nurses, and great progress is being made in the professional and social well-being of Dutch nurses.

*"In Germany.*—Fräulein Hedwig von Schlichting, honorary vice-president, has met with keen opposition in her attempt to inaugurate professional coöperation among German nurses. But the spirit of progress is awake in the land, and already there are signs that in the near future the demand upon the part of trained nurses for a less conventual system of work must be conceded. The nurses who object to work in community are now known as the Free Sisters, and this little band of courageous women will, no doubt, with time and determination effect the liberation of trained nurses in Germany from conditions of labor which

are incompatible with the spirit of an age which demands responsibility for personal action.

"A school for hospital matrons in Germany has been organized by the sisters of the Bavarian Association of the Red Cross at Munich, of which Sister Clementine von Wallmenich is head, and it has been entrusted with training matrons for all the German Red Cross homes; its constitution is wonderfully complete.

"*In India*.—Miss Charlotte Richmond Mill, lady superintendent of St. George's Hospital, Bombay, has accepted the invitation to act as honorary vice-president for India. Miss Mill held in this country the position of assistant matron at the Lewisham Infirmary, and had experience in India as a sister in the Plague Nursing Service.

"CONSULTATION WITH HONORARY SECRETARY.

"In August of this year I met the honorary secretary, Miss L. L. Dock, in conference at Amsterdam in reference to the necessary arrangements for the forthcoming meeting of the Grand Council at Berlin in June, 1904, when the honorary officers for the next quinquennial period must be elected, and reports received of the condition of nursing in the various countries represented in the International Council.

"I beg to suggest the following ladies be nominated for election for the positions as honorary officers:

"PRESIDENT.

"Miss Susan B. McGahey, graduate London Hospital Training-School for Nurses, London; honorary vice-president for Federated Australia; lady superintendent of Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney; president of the Prince Alfred Hospital Trained Nurses' Reunion; late honorary secretary Australasian Trained Nurses' Association, and its delegate to the International Council of Nurses and Congress, Buffalo, U. S. A., 1901; honorary member Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland; member Australasian Matrons' Council.

"HONORARY SECRETARY.

"Miss L. L. Dock, the present honorary secretary, has consented to stand for reelection.

"HONORARY TREASURER.

"Miss Margaret Breay, honorary secretary of the Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland, late matron of the Metropolitan Hospital, London, and matron of the English Hospital, Zanzibar, assistant editor *British Journal of Nursing*, graduate St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London.

"AGENDA FOR THE QUINQUENNIAL MEETING.

"It is suggested that reports shall be invited from experts in the various countries on—

"1. *Legislation* effected for trained nurses—

(a) By State registration;

(b) Under government departments in the army and navy.

"2. *Education*.

To define a curriculum of education and a minimum standard qualifying for registration as a trained nurse.

"ETHEL G. FENWICK,

"President."

The report was adopted.

Interesting letters were then read from Mrs. Gordon Norrie, of Denmark; Miss L. L. Dock, honorary secretary; Miss S. B. McGahey, New South Wales; Mrs. Dita Kinney, War Office, Washington; Miss Harriet Fulmer, Chicago; Mrs. Neill, New Zealand; and Dr. Anna Hamilton, Bordeaux.

The arrangements for the Quinquennial Session to be held in Berlin in June next were considered, and names suggested of ladies to be invited to contribute reports on legislation and education, as proposed in the president's report.

Miss Mollett, who was present, stated that, according to arrangement, she had made inquiries concerning the cost of a ten days' visit to Berlin to attend the meeting of the International Council of Nurses and International Congress of Women, and was prepared to organize a party of nurses of not less than twenty. This offer was gratefully accepted.

The meeting then terminated.

E. G. F.

#### REPORT OF HOSPITAL ECONOMICS COURSE FOR NOVEMBER, 1903

*To Miss Banfield, Chairman.*

Miss Nutting gave her course of lectures on Thursday and Friday, November 12 and 13. Not only were the lectures intensely interesting, but Miss Nutting seems to fill every pupil with new inspiration.

Dr. Fisher, of the Presbyterian Hospital, kindly invited the class to his lecture on "Hospital Plumbing." Miss Maxwell extended an invitation to take tea with her at the close of the lecture. Both invitations were accepted and greatly enjoyed.

The Thanksgiving holiday shortened our work for the month, and but one excursion was taken, which was to Roosevelt Hospital. Miss Samuel gave a half-hour talk, after the visit through the buildings, on the work of the hospital and Training-School. This always proves of great benefit in that the special features of the place are better understood by the students.

Invitations were received to attend the anniversary exercises of the Presbyterian Hospital and the opening of the new buildings of the City Hospital on Blackwell's Island.

Money received for the month, fifty dollars from the Graduate Nurses' Association of Cincinnati, O.

Subjects for the lessons for the Speyer School Club:

1. "General Outline of the Body," Miss Douglass.
2. "Digestion: Organs, Digestive Fluids, and Hygiene," Miss Kelly.
3. "Foods: Composition, Classification, etc.," Miss Balcom.
4. "Circulation and Respiration—Demonstration," Miss Coleman.
5. "Tuberculosis," Miss Shaw.
6. "Elimination," Miss MacLennan.
7. "Personal Hygiene," Miss Baker.
8. "Cleansing Baths—Demonstration," Miss Stotz.
9. "Care of Hair, Care of Teeth," Miss Jewell.
10. "Bed-making—Demonstration," Miss Ahrens.
11. "Bedsores," Miss Paterson.
12. "Local Applications," Miss Krueger.
13. "Medical Emergencies," Miss Parish.
14. "Common Poisons," Miss Douglass.
15. "Surgical Emergencies," Miss Krueger.

16. "Bandaging," Miss Kelly.
  17. "Organs of Special Sense," Miss Paterson.
  18. "Typhoid Fever," Miss Shaw.
  19. "Organs of Generation," Miss Wheeler.
  20. "Preparation for Motherhood," Miss Wheeler.
  21. "Care of the Mother," Miss MacLenna.
  22. "Care of New-Born Child, First Two Weeks," Miss Jewell.
  23. "Care of Child, the First Year," Miss Ahrens.
  24. "Diseases of Childhood," Miss Baker.
  - 25 and 26. Subjects to be assigned after further development of the course, to be given by Misses Balcom and Parish.
  27. "Liquid Diet—Demonstration," Miss Stotz.
  28. "Light Diet—Demonstration," Miss Paterson.
  - 29 and 30. "General Diet—Demonstration," Miss Paterson and Miss Coleman.
- (Signed) ANNA L. ALLINE.

#### REPORT OF THE STUDENTS.

Since the last issue of the JOURNAL Miss Nutting and Miss Banfield have visited Teachers College and lectured on "History of Nursing" and "Hospital Organization and Management." The lectures were not only of much profit, but were attended with much interest as well by members of the class.

Meeting and gaining information from one who has made a study of, and personally come in touch with, the work of the nursing world in its various branches, as Miss Nutting has, cannot fail to deepen our interest in, and impress upon us the importance of, history as a factor in preparation for broad work.

Miss Banfield's lectures on "Hospital Organization and Management" were especially helpful in that the work was presented from many points of view and touched every phase of hospital life.

(Signed) THE COMMITTEE OF STUDENTS.

#### THE NURSES OF MARYLAND FORM A STATE ORGANIZATION

ABOUT two years ago the superintendents of the training-schools of Maryland and the presidents of the alumnae associations met at the Johns Hopkins Hospital to devise plans to form a State association, the main object being to procure State registration. Although nothing definite was accomplished at this meeting, it was the means of bringing the question before the nurses of Maryland. On November 16, 1903, another meeting was called at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, when the superintendents of training-schools, presidents of the alumnae, and a few representative nurses formed a Preliminary Committee, and at once devised plans to bring the nurses of the State together at a public meeting. A committee was appointed to prepare a constitution and by-laws to be presented at this meeting. A committee was also appointed to prepare a bill to be presented to the Legislature at the next session, after having been presented and acted upon by the nurses at the public meeting.

On December 14, 1903, a public meeting was held in the New Assembly Room of the Arundell Club and nearly four hundred nurses were present, representing nearly every hospital and alumnae association in the State. Miss M. Adelaide Nutting, of the Johns Hopkins Hospital Training-School for Nurses, presided at the meeting and introduced the speakers, who were Mrs. William M. Ellicott, president of the Arundell Club; Judge Henry D. Harlan, of the Supreme Bench, and Dr. William H. Welsh, of the Johns Hopkins University.

Mrs. Ellicott welcomed the nurses and assured them not only of her own interest in an organization to procure State registration, but also of the interest of the Arundell Club.

Judge Harlan treated the subject from a legal standpoint, speaking particularly of the advantage to the profession in having a uniform standard of nursing established, which could be obtained only by a State board. He also encouraged the nurses by telling them that it was not only their privilege, but their right, that they should have State protection, as it is only just that the genuine nurse should be known from the counterfeit.

Dr. Welsh spoke from the physician's point of view, urging the nurses to immediate action, as without doubt State registration would be of as great an advantage to the nurses as it has been to the medical profession.

After a short intermission the meeting was called to order with Miss Nutting in the chair. It was voted that a State association be formed. The constitution, which had previously been prepared, was then presented, unanimously adopted, and the following officers were elected:

President, Miss M. A. Nutting, superintendent of the Johns Hopkins Hospital Training-School for Nurses.

First vice-president, Mrs. K. A. Taylor, superintendent of the University of Maryland Hospital Training-School for Nurses.

Second vice-president, Miss N. J. Lackland, president of the University of Maryland Alumnae Association of Nurses.

Secretary, Miss S. F. Martin, Robert Garrett Hospital.

Treasurer, Miss G. C. Ross, Johns Hopkins Hospital.

These officers with the following members form the Board of Directors of the Association:

Miss Shrive, superintendent of the Union Protestant Infirmary Training-School for Nurses.

Miss Parker, president of the City Hospital Alumnae Association of Nurses.

Miss Weitzel, University of Maryland Alumnae Association of Nurses.

Miss Woodward, president of the Maryland General Hospital Alumnae Association of Nurses.

The meeting then adjourned until Tuesday at ten-thirty A.M.

At the meeting on Tuesday the by-laws were presented and adopted. The bill which had been previously prepared by the committee was then presented, and with a few changes was adopted.

The nurses manifested great interest at both meetings, and all proceedings were conducted in a most business-like manner. They expressed their appreciation of having for their leader one who stands so high in the nursing profession. Already nearly two hundred members have been enrolled.

SARAH F. MARTIN, Secretary.

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#### PENNSYLVANIA STATE MEETING

THE Graduate Nurses' Association of the State of Pennsylvania will meet in Harrisburg on Wednesday and Thursday, January 27 and 28. This is the most central location yet secured, and all nurses are urged to take advantage of this and be present, especially those who have not attended the former meeting. A number of prominent people have been invited to address the assembly, and the entire programme promises to be both entertaining and instructive.

We regret to say that it was found necessary to abandon the scheme of

printing the report of the last meeting in Pittsburg as announced in the last number of the JOURNAL.

MRS. GEORGE O. LOEFFLER, Chairman Press and Publication Committee.

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NOTICE

IN preparing the list of members for the annual report of the American Society of Superintendents of Training-Schools the secretary finds herself lacking any address for the members whose names follow:

Miss M. B. Brown.

Miss A. D. Schultze.

Miss Bertha May Smith.

Miss Ada J. Taylor.

Insufficient addresses are given in the two following instances:

Miss E. B. Clark, Toronto, Ont.

Miss Elizabeth Fleming, Providence, R. I.

It will be helpful to the secretary and treasurer if these members will kindly supply their present addresses.

M. A. NUTTING, Secretary,  
Johns Hopkins Hospital.

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SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR NURSES

THE resignation of Mrs. Harriet Camp Lounsbury as treasurer and corresponding secretary of the Spanish-American War Nurses is announced. Miss Rebecca Jackson, of Overbrook, Pa., has been elected by the Executive Committee as her successor, and all money should be sent to her.

The society is informed that at the annual meeting of the Spanish War Veterans at New Haven, in September last, the following resolution was introduced by Major Frank W. Hendley, surgeon-general of that organization, and passed:

"WHEREAS, For the first time in the history of this organization the society known as the Spanish-American War Nurses' Association has seen fit to hold its convention at the same time and place as this order; and

"WHEREAS, The main object and purpose of these two orders are to preserve the memories of the war with Spain and to foster a broad spirit of patriotism and humanity; now, therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the soldiers and sailors of the Spanish War will ever hold in grateful remembrance the invaluable service and devotion to duty which was constantly exhibited by the women who ministered to the sick and disabled in the camps, hospitals, and hospital-ships during our service, and we extend to them our hearty greetings and congratulations; and further

"Resolved, That the National Army and Navy Spanish War Veterans, in annual convention assembled, extends greetings to the Spanish-American War Nurses' Association and wishes them a hearty God-speed in their work; and further

"Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes and a copy transmitted to the Spanish-American War Nurses' Association."

ANITA NEWCOMB MCGEE,

President Spanish-American War Nurses.

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THE ASSOCIATED ALUMNÆ

THE Executive Committee would remind societies of the advisability of electing delegates who are to be their representatives at the Seventh Annual

Convention now, in order that those delegates may become, in a measure, conversant with the questions that will come up for discussion and vote. The committee will be pleased to receive any suggestions, particularly upon subjects that might be placed before the open meeting. Such suggestions or requests may be sent to the secretary.

M. E. THORNTON.

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#### ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

THE annual meeting of the stockholders of THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING Company, for the election of directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as will properly come before the meeting, will be held at the office of the Company (Grill Room), 299 Henry Street, Borough of Manhattan, City, County, and State of New York, on Thursday, January 21, 1904, at two o'clock in the afternoon. Books for the transfer of stock will be closed on January 11 and from that date to January 22.

A. D. VAN KIRK, Secretary.

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#### SCHOOL NURSES' RECEPTION

THE school nurses of New York City gave a reception to Dr. Lederle on December 8, 1903, the occasion being the anniversary of their first year's work. It was held in Mendelssohn Hall, which was prettily decorated. About one hundred and fifty guests were present, among them being Dr. and Mrs. Lederle, Dr. and Mrs. Cronin, Dr. Fisher, Miss Wald, Miss McDowell, Mr. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan, and others.

The nurses who received with Miss Rogers were Miss Munn, Miss Price, Miss Oakley, Miss Gregg, and Miss Andrews. Music and dancing were enjoyed and refreshments served.

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#### OHIO STATE MEETING

THE regular meeting of the Graduate Nurses' Association of Cincinnati, O., was held on Wednesday, November 25, at three P.M., the president, Miss Greenwood, in the chair. A report was read from the Committee on Incorporation, stating that the articles of incorporation had been filed in Columbus. A letter was read from Miss M. E. Banfield acknowledging the receipt of fifty dollars from the association for the Hospital Economics Course. It was moved by Miss Fisher, seconded by Miss Brace, and carried unanimously that a call from the association be sent out to the graduate nurses of Ohio for the purpose of holding a general meeting with the object of forming a State association. The following circular has been sent out, and it is hoped that Miss Sophia F. Palmer, editor of THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING, will address the meeting:

"GRADUATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION OF CINCINNATI,

"CINCINNATI, December 7, 1903.

"A meeting for the purpose of organizing an Ohio State Nurses' Association will be held in the Library of the Cincinnati Hospital, corner Twelfth Street and Central Avenue.

"The meeting will be called at two P.M., Wednesday and Thursday, January 27, 28, 1904.

"All alumnae associations, nurses' clubs, and schools having no organized associations are earnestly requested to send delegates. All resident graduate nurses in the State of Ohio are invited to be present and take part in the dis-



cussion. The ultimate object in organizing a State society is to secure legislation for the advancement of the nursing profession.

"All communications to be addressed to Elizabeth M. Hartsock, secretary, No. 626 West Sixth Street.

"MARY HAMER GREENWOOD,

"OLIVE T. FISHER,

"ELIZABETH M. HARTSOCK,

"Committee on Circular."

#### REGULAR MEETINGS

DANBURY, CONN.—The regular meeting of the Graduate Nurses' Association of the Danbury Hospital was held at the office of Dr. Annie K. Bailey on November 18, 1903. Being the anniversary of the association, the first business in order was a review of the year by the presiding officer, special attention being called to publications in connection with the association during the year—viz., the constitution and by-laws of the association; the little booklet on "Preecepts," an outline of the discourse given before the association by Dr. Bailey when the regular meeting fell on the Sabbath, January 18, 1903; the publication of the closing song of the association for worship, written by Miss Marion Thornton, of Danbury; the publication of the Nurses' Working Song, also written by Miss Thornton, nearly fifty copies of which were distributed at the hospital service on Sunday, October 18, held under the direction of the Nurses' Association, and given as a token of remembrance of the occasion as expressive of the sentiment, "Our Best Gift is a Portion of Ourselves," whether in the form of service, best wishes, or the unconscious influence of our true character; also the publication of a manual of parliamentary law for the use of the association and its larger and more extended use. It was voted that "The Graduate Nurses' Association of the Danbury Hospital" extend greeting through *THE JOURNAL OF NURSING* to the nursing profession, and suggest that they adopt as a body our "Closing Song" for their own use, that near and far there may be that beautiful bond of unity as expressed in the last verse, and that a copy of the words be sent to Miss Thornton asking for their publication in *THE JOURNAL* for this purpose. The meeting adjourned at half-past four o'clock.

#### CLOSING SONG FOR "THE GRADUATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION OF THE DANBURY HOSPITAL."

BY MISS MARION THORNTON,

Danbury, Conn.

(Tune, "Boylston;" short meter.)

O Thou Almighty One,  
How glorious Thou art!  
We own Thee as our Gracious King,  
Enthroned in every heart.

Thy people have been blessed  
In every time and place;  
For Thou hast been their present help,  
Their Wisdom, Strength, and Grace.

Still grant Thy favor, Lord,  
Supply each needed gift;  
We would in Thy Strong Hand be used  
Thy loved world to uplift.

Onward and ever up  
We press at Thy command;  
The best is but enough from those  
Who in Thy service stand.

Our hearts together bound,  
So would we do Thy will;  
And listening to the Spirit's voice,  
Thy purposes fulfil.

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FORT WAYNE, IND.—The first meeting of the new Indiana State Nurses' Association was held Friday afternoon at Hope Hospital. The organization was perfected by the adoption of a constitution and set of by-laws and sixty-one members were enrolled, the membership representing the cities of Indianapolis, Evansville, South Bend, Terre Haute, Decatur, Franklin, and Fort Wayne. The election of officers resulted in the selection of the following: President, Mrs. E. G. Fournier, superintendent of Hope Hospital, Fort Wayne; first vice-president, Miss M. Henderson, of Union Hospital, Terre Haute; second vice-president, Miss L. Hill, Fort Wayne; secretary, Miss M. Scott, Indianapolis; treasurer, Miss F. Grant, of the City Hospital, Indianapolis. The following were appointed chairmen of the standing committees, with power to select their own associates: Nominating Committee, Miss C. Speechly, 422 West Fourth Street, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Arrangement Committee, Miss M. Scott, Lexington Place, Indianapolis, Ind.; Credential Committee, Miss E. Johnson, 825 Christian Place, Indianapolis, Ind.; By-law Committee, Miss S. Bolten, Evansville Sanitarium, Evansville, Ind.; Legislation Committee, Sister Stella, St. Vincent's Hospital, Indianapolis, Ind.; Publication Committee, Miss A. Clark, 422 West Fourth Street, Fort Wayne, Ind. Upon the invitation of Miss Johnson, delegate from Indianapolis, the nurses decided to hold the next meeting at the State capital early in the new year. After being installed in office Mrs. Fournier made an excellent address, urging the importance of the work of the association and expressing her elation over the success of the organization and over the excellent prospects for the future. Dr. Miles F. Porter, of Fort Wayne, also addressed the nurses in an exceedingly interesting talk on the objects and advantages of organization. At the close of his remarks the nurses gave him a hearty vote of thanks. At the close of the session the nurses of the Hope Hospital Training-School entertained the members of the association at the Nurses' Home. The rooms were handsomely decorated and a luncheon was served. A number of toasts on subjects of interest to the gathering were responded to.

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CLEVELAND, O.—The Graduate Nurses' Association of Cleveland had a very enthusiastic meeting on Tuesday, November 24, the president, Miss Brockway, in the chair. Miss Lauder Sutherland gave a full report of what is being done in other cities regarding registries for nurses. About one hundred nurses were present and voted unanimously for the establishment of a central registry if investigation showed that conditions in Cleveland were such as to make it

possible. The matter was then placed in the hands of the following committee: Miss Lauder Sutherland, chairman; Miss V. V. Lewis, Miss Lynden Mackie, Miss E. M. Ellis, Miss Elizabeth Hirschberg. The following nurses were recommended by the Executive Committee and admitted by ballot: Miss E. M. Ellis, Massachusetts General; Miss Minna Russell, Royal Victoria, Montreal; Miss Grace Houghton, Montreal General; Miss E. G. Harwood, Montreal General; Miss A. Van Buskirk, Montreal General; Miss Adella Fridenstein, Massachusetts State. The association then gave a hearty vote of thanks to the president, Miss Brockway, who resigns to be married and will live in Chicago. Miss V. V. Lewis, first vice-president, was appointed to fill the chair for the balance of the year, after which the meeting adjourned until the last Tuesday in December.

NEW YORK.—A meeting for the organization of an alumnae association of the Hahnemann graduate nurses in New York was held at the Hahnemann Hospital, on Park Avenue, November 19, 1903, at three p.m., with Miss Alma Weller in the chair. Officers were elected as follows: President, Miss Alma Weller; vice-president, Miss Mary Philips; secretary, Miss Frances P. Lurkins; treasurer, Miss Margaret Worth. Miss Elizabeth Telford, superintendent of Hahnemann Hospital and Training-School, was made honorary member of the association. A Committee on Constitution and By-Laws was appointed, consisting of Miss Mary Jackson, Miss Grace E. Pringle, Miss Juliet Violener, and Miss Sarah E. Williams, with Miss Anna B. Walton as chairman, committee to report at next meeting, which will be held at the hospital the second Thursday in December. After adjournment light refreshments were served in one of the parlors of the hospital, where a pleasant hour was spent among old associations. Much gratitude is felt on account of the enthusiasm displayed on the subject of organization by nurses, doctors, and friends. The meeting was largely attended, and many regrets were received from those unable to attend.

BOSTON.—The Alumnae Association of the Boston and Massachusetts General Hospital Training-School for Nurses celebrated the thirteenth anniversary of the founding of the Training-School on the evening of November 24, 1903, in the New Out-Patient Building. The rooms were very prettily decorated with palms and evergreens. A large number of guests were present, and a number of the early graduates, among them Mrs. M. Johanneson, who is a member of the first class. Miss M. E. P. Davis, who presided, introduced as the first speaker Mrs. C. P. Curtis, a member of the original Training-School Board, who told of the work done in establishing the school. Miss Linda Richards, the first superintendent of the Training-School, who was also a trained nurse, spoke of many of the difficulties which were met and overcome in the early days of the school, bringing out very clearly the difference between the work of the trained and the untrained nurse. Dr. Richard C. Cabot spoke of the progress which has been made by the school and gave many valuable suggestions about the education and work of nurses. An informal reception with music and refreshments followed the literary part of the programme.

SYRACUSE, N. Y.—The adjourned monthly meeting of the Alumnae Association of the House of the Good Shepherd was held at the Nurses' Home, 105 Waverly Avenue, at three p.m., on December 5, 1903. About sixteen members attended. One new member, Miss Madge Wolcott, was admitted, making a total membership of fifty-three. By resolutions duly made and carried it was voted to send a

donation of ten dollars to the Teachers' Course at Columbia College, and also that ten dollars be forwarded to Miss Mary S. Gilmour as a contribution towards the testimonials to be given by the New York State Nurses' Association to Senator Armstrong and Miss Allerton, the valuable and helpful work of whom the members of the Alumnae Association duly and warmly appreciate. Other routine business being transacted, the meeting was addressed by Bishop Huntington, who always finds something helpful to say, and never fails when speaking to nurses to make them feel his deep sympathy in their work and his personal affection for them. Miss Erskine followed with some delightful songs. After serving refreshments the meeting adjourned.

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NEW YORK.—The Association of Graduate Nurses in Manhattan and Bronx will hold its meetings this year at the League for Political Education, 23 West Forty-fourth Street, New York City. The regular meeting, to which all its members are invited, is held during the afternoon of the second Monday in each month, usually from four to six o'clock, as it was considered that nurses on private duty could more easily attend meetings held at these hours. At the October meeting discussion ensued as to plans for educational work, probably in the form of lectures, and for some social life among the members of the association. A committee was appointed to consider ways and means of attaining some satisfactory result along both these lines, Miss Daniels, chairman, to choose her associates. Eighteen new members were admitted into the association, and seven applications were received to be voted upon at the next meeting. It is requested that members send any change in address to the secretary, Miss A. S. Bussell, 41 East Seventieth Street, New York.

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CHICAGO, ILL.—The December meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Illinois Training-School was held on December 8, 1903, with an attendance of seventy-five. The evening was pleasantly spent, after a business meeting from half-past seven to eight o'clock, enjoying music, refreshments, etc. Arrangements have been completed and the purchase made of the five shares of stock in *THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING* which were voted upon at the October meeting. Misses De Witt, Beaton, and Green were appointed a committee to draft a new constitution and by-laws, which have been made necessary by the incorporation of the society. It was decided to devote one-half hour at the next three regular meetings to the discussion of the old constitution and by-laws, and to call for suggestions from members in outlying districts, also to allow the committee until May to present their report. In the meantime the society will abide by its old constitution. The papers on the history of Indiana will be presented at the January meeting.

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PHILADELPHIA.—The regular monthly meeting of the Nurse Alumnae Association of the Woman's Hospital of Philadelphia was held by invitation of Dr. Seabrooke, superintendent, in the parlors of the hospital, on Wednesday, November 11, 1903, at three P.M. Miss Allen, president, called the meeting to order. Routine business was transacted, interspersed with interesting discussion. The censors approved for membership Miss Jeannette Byers, Civil Hospital, Santiago, Cuba. A letter from Miss Anna B. Cook, one of the members, head nurse in Dr. Howard Kelly's private hospital, Baltimore, Md., was read. Also a letter from Miss Sara Rudden, president of the University Hospital Alumnae Association,

Philadelphia. A Committee on Arrangements and Reception for a tea in honor of the graduating class was appointed. Miss Allen will address the class at the commencement in December. There was a large attendance at this meeting, and the nurses were enthusiastically appreciative of Dr. Seabrooke's delightful hospitality. A social hour with tea and a visit through the hospital followed the business meeting.

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PHILADELPHIA.—The regular monthly meeting of the Nurses' Alumnae Association of the Jewish Hospital was held in the lecture-room of the hospital on Tuesday afternoon, December 1. Eleven members were present. After routine business had been transacted the chairman of the Committee on Arrangements reported having secured the Walnut Street Theatre for a benefit performance on January 25, 26, 27, the play to be "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch." All members present took tickets to sell, and have shown considerable enthusiasm in the work. The proceeds of this benefit will go towards the endowment fund, which has just been started with twelve dollars in a savings bank. The problem of securing a charter for our training-school, State legislation, and the work of the Pennsylvania Society of Graduate Nurses took up the remainder of the hour, and after accepting an invitation from Miss Reiff, the night supervisor of the hospital, to meet her in the Nurses' Home at the close of the meeting, motion was made to adjourn.

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NEW YORK.—A social meeting of Camp Roosevelt was held on December 7, at three P.M., at the club-room. The attendance was good, and one new member joining increased our roll-call to forty-five. Announcement was made of the illness of Miss Elizabeth Irwin, a member of the camp. Miss Irwin is at 2340 Seventh Avenue, and would be glad to see any of her friends who could call. A vote of thanks was given to Dr. McGee for her photograph, which she has sent to Camp Roosevelt. According to the decision of the camp at the last meeting that only four business meetings should be held during the year, the alternate Mondays being devoted to social affairs, the meeting on January 4, at three P.M., will have as its chief feature "a grab-bag." The members are asked to contribute as many articles as they can, sending them to Miss Haltern, 155 East Eighty-third Street. Many important matters will be discussed at this meeting and a large attendance is asked for. A comrades' greeting from Camp Roosevelt for a happy and prosperous New Year.

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NEW YORK.—The meeting called for the discussion of the advisability of forming a nurses' society of the county of New York, and held at the New York Hospital on Monday, December 8, 1903, was attended by delegates from most of the nurses' associations in this city. Miss Thornton was elected to the chair pro tem. and Miss McKechnie to the office of clerk pro tem. After a free discussion as to the need for such an organization it was shown to be the sense of the meeting that a county society of nurses should now be formed. A motion was offered and carried that a committee of five, Miss Thornton being named as one member, with power to choose her associates, draft a constitution and by-laws for a society of the nurses of the county of New York, this committee to report at an adjourned meeting. Miss Delano tendered the hospitality of Bellevue for the adjourned meeting—accepted. A motion was offered and carried that the meeting be called for the third Monday of January, at eight o'clock in the evening.

COLUMBUS, O.—At a meeting of graduate nurses held February 19, 1902, the Graduate Nurses' Association of Columbus, O., was organized with forty-seven charter members. The meetings, which were to be held every three months, were not well attended, and little was accomplished the first year. At the annual meeting in March, 1903, it was decided to have the meetings held monthly, omitting July and August. Committees have been appointed to take charge of each meeting with selected subjects for discussion. A Nurses' Home is under consideration and a number of new names have been added to the list of members. By invitation the December meeting was held at the residence of Mrs. Bazler, on East Town Street, where, after a short business session with Miss E. Doe in the chair in the absence of the president, a social time was enjoyed by all present. Adjourned to meet at the residence of Miss Elizabeth Allen January 5, 1904.

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PHILADELPHIA.—The regular monthly meeting of the Alumnae of the University Hospital was held on Monday, December 7, 1903, at three p.m., and was called to order by the president, Miss Rudden. The "Endowed Room Fund" now amounts to two thousand one hundred and thirty-one dollars and thirty-two cents, not yet half the necessary amount. The committee to raise funds for this object reported through Miss Giberson that no requests would be made until after the Christmas holidays. The following committee was appointed to interview Miss Smith and the hospital chiefs regarding a Registering Board for Nurses to be kept at University Hospital: Miss Dunn, chairman; Miss Giberson, and Miss Damm. The president reminded the members that copies of the "Third International Congress" were yet on hand, to be disposed of at one dollar each. Miss Mary Stocksdales was admitted into membership in the association.

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NEW YORK.—At the annual meeting of the Alumnae of the Roosevelt Hospital, held November 5, 1903, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Miss Julia M. Browne, 65 West One-Hundred-and-Fourth Street; vice-president, Miss Jessie B. Downing; secretary, Miss Grace M. Rundell, Roosevelt Hospital; treasurer, Miss Mayme Francis. General interest was displayed in a report from Miss Sheriff on the development and work of the Stony Wold Sanatorium for tuberculous women and children at Kashaqua, in the Adirondacks. Miss Sheriff followed Miss Gibbs, who was the first of our alumnae to volunteer her services in assisting Mrs. Newcomb, the president of the Stony Wold corporation. Both of these nurses devoted a month to the work at Kashaqua. The meeting also gave a practical expression of its interest by an appropriation of twenty-five dollars.

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NEW YORK.—The Alumnae Association of the New York City Training-School held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, December 8, 1903, at the Academy of Medicine, 17 West Forty-third Street. The usual routine of business was transacted. Dr. William M. Bell gave a very interesting lecture on his three-years' experience in the Philippines. Officers elected for the coming year are as follows: President, Miss J. A. Silver; first vice-president, Mrs. H. F. Porter Ingersoll; second vice-president, Miss J. L. Simmons; recording secretary, Miss G. Forman; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. M. Syron; financial secretary, Mrs. C. Stevenson; treasurer, Miss M. C. Drew; trustees—Miss H. Sheehan, Miss Le Febvre, and Mrs. W. J. Mitchell. The meeting adjourned to the banquet-hall for the usual cup of tea.

BROOKLYN.—The regular meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Training-School for Nurses of the Long Island College Hospital was held on Tuesday, December 8, 1903. It was announced by the president, Miss Davids, that the association was now incorporated. The new constitution and by-laws were unanimously adopted. After the discussion of some further business the meeting adjourned. A paper on "Modern Surgery" was then given by Dr. Francis William Campbell, showing how the advances of surgery called for the very highest intelligence and efficiency of the trained nurse. The paper was deeply interesting throughout and full of inspiration for nurses, by all of whom it was very highly appreciated.

BROOKLYN.—The regular monthly meeting of the Brooklyn Hospital Alumnae Association was held on Tuesday afternoon, December 1. There were thirty members present. All graduates of the school will be pleased to know that the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Brooklyn Hospital Training-School unanimously decided at their last meeting that graduates could return to the hospital for a post-graduate course without the payment of five dollars per week as heretofore. The treasurer of the Fair Committee reported that a little over six hundred and thirty-nine dollars had been cleared at the fair which was held on November 19 and 20. The meeting was then adjourned.

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—The Graduate Nurses' Association, County of Kings, has arranged a course of twelve lectures to be given at the Cumberland Street Hospital. These lectures will begin the second Tuesday in January, to be continued for twelve succeeding Tuesdays, beginning at three-thirty P.M. *Subjects*.—Four drills in parliamentary procedure by Mrs. Priscilla D. Hackstaff; four lectures on "Child Culture" by Mara Pratt Chadwick, M.D.; four talks on "Travel and Other Countries." At a meeting of the association, held December 3, 1903, it was voted that the lectures be open to all members of alumnae associations and nurses of Brooklyn.

BROOKLYN.—The annual meeting of the Brooklyn Homœopathic Alumnae was held on November 4, 1903, at 1 MacDougal Street. The officers for the coming year are: President, Miss E. S. Park, 363 Grand Avenue; vice-president, Miss S. Parker, 216 Adelphi Street; secretary, Miss Clara Moore, 300 State Street; treasurer, Miss Moulton, 315 Clinton Street. It was with deep regret that the alumnae learned of the death of Miss Charlotte Parton, of the Class of 1890, which took place at her home in Morristown, N. J., November 18, 1903.

NEW BEDFORD, MASS.—The Alumnae Association of the St. Luke's Hospital Training-School for Nurses held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, November 2, at the home of the president of the organization. Eleven nurses were present. Miss C. D. Noyes, superintendent of the hospital, gave an interesting talk on the benefits of State registration, etc. It was decided that a new nurses' pin be adopted by the association, and a committee was appointed to select the design. The meeting adjourned at five P.M., after which tea was served.

BALTIMORE.—The regular meeting of the University of Maryland Nurses' Alumnae was held at the University of Maryland Hospital on December 7, 1903, at three P.M., the object of the meeting being the election of officers for 1904,

which resulted as follows: President, Miss Nannie Lackland; first vice-president, Miss Grace L. Anderson; second vice-president, Miss Lida Rolph; secretary, Miss Eleanor Mayes; treasurer, Miss Nannie Kinniery.

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YONKERS, N. Y.—A regular meeting of the Nurses' Alumnae of St. John's Hospital was held on December 16, 1903, in the nurses' temporary home, 183 Palisade Avenue. At this meeting, which was very well attended, one new member was elected and the names of several applicants were announced. Several very interesting papers were read, and after the meeting refreshments were served by the superintendent.

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CEDAR RAPIDS, IA.—The graduates of St. Luke's Hospital, Cedar Rapids, Ia., met at the hospital on December 11, 1903, and organized an Alumnae Association. Mrs. Cyrus Metcalf was elected president. Miss Sallie Van Metre, formerly superintendent and a graduate of St. Luke's, was appointed delegate to the State Nurses' Association, which meets in January, 1904, at Des Moines, Ia.

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NEW YORK.—New officers elected at the annual meeting of the Alumnae of St. Luke's Hospital, held November 3, 1903, were as follows: President, Miss M. K. Smith; first vice-president, Miss I. L. Evans; second vice-president, Miss R. Toapet; treasurer, Miss C. B. McMiller; secretary, Miss M. A. Sutherland; assistant secretary, Miss K. Lough.

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PHILADELPHIA.—In the absence of a quorum, the Philadelphia County Nurses' Association held no meeting on Wednesday, December 9, 1903. Mrs. Watmough, who had been invited to come to this meeting to tell the association something of the work of the Consumers' League, talked informally to the members present while tea was served.

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NEW YORK.—The nurses of the Fifty-seventh Street registry held a reception at the registry, 408 West Fifty-seventh Street, on Thursday, November 12, 1903. About one hundred nurses were present. A musical programme was furnished and refreshments served. An enjoyable evening was spent by all present.

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PHILADELPHIA.—The Woman's Hospital Alumnae held its regular meeting at 1227 Arch Street on December 9, 1903. There was a large attendance of visitors and members, and after the necessary business was transacted the time was devoted to the entertainment of the Class of 1903.

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BROOKLYN.—A regular meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Training-School for Nurses of St. John's Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y., was held in the hospital lecture-room, November 10, 1903, at eight p.m.

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ON Wednesday, December 9, 1903, at the residence of Mr. David Caldwell, 187 Beverley Street, Toronto, by the Rev. H. A. Macpherson, Mary, youngest daughter of the late George Williamson, of Hagersville, Ont., to Mr. J. A. Martin, B.A., all of Toronto. Miss Williamson is a graduate of the Toronto General Hospital School for Nurses, Class of 1896.



ON December 3, 1903, at Toronto, Miss Elena M. M. Eyres, of the Class of 1900, Toronto General Hospital Training-School for Nurses, to Rev. Campbell Hamilton Monro, M.D. Mr. and Mrs. Monro will be at home at The Manse, Ethelbert, Man., after January 15.

AT Renfrew, Ont., on Wednesday, November 25, 1903, Edith Louise, eldest daughter of M. H. Dent, Esq., of Merchants' Bank, Renfrew, to Charles McCrea, barrister, Sudbury. Miss Dent graduated from the Toronto General Hospital School for Nurses in 1901.

ON December 2, 1903, at Uxbridge, Ont., Miss Adda N. Gould, of the Class of 1899, Toronto General Hospital Training-School for Nurses, to Mr. Donald H. Douglas. Mr. and Mrs. Douglas will be at home in Chatham, Ont., after February 1.

ON November 2, 1903, at Jacksonville, Fla., Miss Effie E. Warner, a graduate of the Lakeside Hospital Training-School of Chicago, to Mr. Raymond C. Sanford. Mr. and Mrs. Sanford are at home in Quincy, Fla.

ON November 25, 1903, Miss Sara C. Smith, of the Class of 1903, Toronto General Hospital School for Nurses, to Mr. Frank A. Pickersgill. Both are of Port Rowan, Canada.

CARRIE V. H. PEARSON, of the Class of 1892, Toronto General Hospital School for Nurses, was married to Mr. Harvey E. Johnson in New Westminster, B. C., on October 6, 1903.

IN Manila, Miss Anna E. Lee, of the Class of 1892, University of Maryland, to Mr. Frederick Lavenskiold, formerly of Texas.



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